



## *The Holy City*

**T**O bring the calculation down to a smaller point, let us give one minute's time to each room, and at the expiration of 6,000 years one would have visited 3,154,233,600 rooms, leaving 210,766,400 rooms to be visited. By the time one would have completed his visit old things would have become new.

When we carefully consider these things we are at once struck with amazement and wonder, and are compelled to exclaim in the prophetic words of old, "What hath God wrought"? But shall we stop here? No, let us look again. To be confined to the City alone would seem to be sufficient to absorb our time throughout eternity, but that is not all.

After we may have tired of exploring the grandeur and the glories of the Celestial City we find there are three gates on each side of the City, north, east, west and south, so we can soar away there in unlimited space, and with unspeakable joy feast on the handiwork of our God for ever and ever, and that throughout ages to come, He will continue to shew unto us the **exceeding riches** of His grace, in His kindness toward us thru Jesus Christ our Lord.

Oh! the depth of the riches; both of the wisdom and the knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments, and His ways past finding out; for of Him, and through Him, and to Him, are all things, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.—Sel.

*Let's Spend Our Vacation There!*



## Notes from The Editor



"Whose Who in Religion" was the caption of an article appearing in the Literary Digest of February 11, in which the editor of that paper points out that only "seventeen" out of a total of 296,523 whose names appear in 1930-31 roll of fame who said they were either infidels, atheists, free thinkers or agnostics. Thus he quotes 55 per cent of the total number of the 1930-31 edition of "Whose Who" or who are infidels, atheists, free thinkers or agnostics, report religious affiliation as against 25 per cent of the same class listed in 1910-11 edition. So writes D. C. Luther Fry whose article appears in the Scientific Monthly.

The examination of the latter edition was, however, limited to two-thirds of the roster. The comparison between the two editions says the director of bureau of standards of the Institute of Social and Religious Research "would seem to indicate that during the last generation a church connection was looked upon with increasing faith." Dr. Fry further states that religious connection decreases as their age increases, thus proving what has been known to be true that the younger generation is more susceptible to religion.

He further points out that only 23 per cent of actors, painters and sculptors claim a church connection, army and navy officers 35 per cent, among natural scientists 37 per cent, among editors and authors 40 per cent, social scientists 42 per cent, doctors 50 per cent and architects and engineers 51 per cent. Next follows politicians and diplomats, judges and lawyers, agriculturists, bankers and business men with 54 per cent and 61 per cent having church affiliation. Educators and social workers claim even higher percentage of 63 per cent and 64 per cent respectively. Religious workers show, of course, the highest returns of 100 per cent.

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### ATHEISTIC RUSSIA

The Bible cannot be sent there; the children are taught in the schools that there is no God. Communism has for its design the abolition not only of religion and capitalism but the destruction of the sanctity of the marriage vow and family life. Can you imagine what happiness there would be in a family home where such conditions exist! Divorces are granted for a simple fee and for whatever cause they are desired. A young man who attended University there reports the conditions among the young people as indescribable. The Young Pioneer's Brigade was examined by request of authorities of the government, resulting in a disclosure of the fact that 90 per cent of all girls from the ages of 12 to 14 years had lost their purity. "Last year 80,000 operations (Spectator, Oct. 15, 1932) were performed in abortion clinics of Moscow alone."

Where is the happiness of love in such cases? Where is the virtue that a father

or mother would desire their children to possess? Can you imagine the terrors of married life without love and the tremendous rushing of the future generation into uncleanness and uncivilization. Where there is no virtue there can be no pure love; nor can there be happiness in wedlock without such. God instituted the divine order of marriage. When men set it aside it is the work of the coming Beast "who will think to change times and laws."

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The Young People's edition of the Evangel will be printed Feb. 25. Churches or Young People's Endeavors desiring them in quantities should send us their orders by Feb. 21 so we will know how many to run off the press. 12 copies and under, 5c; over 12 copies and under 25 copies, 4c; over 25 copies, 3c each.

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### SUNDAY SCHOOL BANNERS AND BUTTONS

We can now furnish you with Sunday School banners ranging in prices from 50c to \$3.00. The 50c banners are beautiful cardboard displayed on back cover of the Evangel last week, size 13½ x 19½ inches. We can also furnish banners for class offering and banners for attendance in felt, size 13x19, priced at \$1.00. We have yet another size, 18x28 inches, beautiful gloss felt, in colors, priced at \$3.00.

We can furnish you Church of God Sunday School buttons in red and blue or class buttons for "Mothers Class," "Bible Readers," "Willing Workers," "Merry Maids," "Busy Bees," "Ever Ready Class," "Winners," "Champions," "Live Wires," "True Blues," "Sunshine Class," "Builders," "Willing Helpers," "Blue Birds," "Sunbeams," at 25c per dozen. We can furnish you "Church of God Y. P. E." buttons and "Church of God" buttons at 25c per dozen. We have reduced these buttons from a former price of 45c per dozen. We are buying larger lots and trying to give you the best possible prices. Please favor us with your business.

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### BIBLES

We can furnish General Indebtedness Bibles by return mail. Ministers who have not sold their quota of six Bibles to apply on general Indebtedness should order at once.

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### SPECIAL NOTICE

To those who are sending notices to the Evangel for publication: Please try to get them in the mail in time to reach us not later than Saturday evening before they are to be published the following week as many of them come in too late to get in the paper without considerable trouble and delay in getting the publication on the press.—Editor.

## NOTICES

I will begin traveling now in state convention work. The Lord willing, we will leave for Arizona and California on Feb. 13 and will be out of the office for twenty-eight days. If you do not receive a prompt reply to all letters, please remember that we will attend to this as we return to the office each time. I earnestly request an interest in your prayers that God will make me a blessing this year wherever I may go.—S. W. Latimer, General Overseer.

The Jacksonville, Fla. Y. P. E. district convention will convene at Olustee Church of God, Feb. 19. Service will begin at 10:30 and continue throughout the day, with basket dinner. Churches in this district are Jacksonville, Otis, Saxton, Macclenny, Olustee, and Lake City. We want each church represented. If you have no organized Y. P. E., come anyway, with a report of your young people's activities. Have a song or two and some one be prepared to speak a few words in behalf of your work. We are expecting our Y. P. E. State Superintendent. We cordially invite every member of the Church, also every one else who can and will come. Other district Y.P.E's. are invited. Each Y. P. E. have a special prayer for that day that the Lord will be with us in power and glory. We will have special music and singing. Do not forget to fill those baskets with good eats and come praying.—Humbly yours for a bigger and better Y. P. E., Jesse Degolger, District Superintendent.

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To the Church of God in the state of Indiana: This is to notify you that Wayne Johnson, Shelburn, Ind., is State Treasurer for the mission fund. I insist that all the churches be prompt in taking up their mission fund and sending it to him. Also send your quota to Headquarters for foreign missions as required by the Assembly.—C. H. Standifer, Overseer.

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We are having a good meeting. Eleven have been saved, six sanctified and one filled with the Holy Ghost in three nights. We have a theater building rented. The house is full every night. Pray for us.—Yours in Christ, Orion L. Alewine, Lavonia, Ga.

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To whom it may concern: My address is 1217 Iowa St., Joplin, Mo. instead of 1217 Toma St.—R. C. Ogle, State Sunday School Superintendent.

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To the Church of God in Arizona, California and Mexico, greetings: I wish to announce that our General Overseer, Brother S. W. Latimer of Cleveland, Tenn., is scheduled to pay us a visit in the very near future. He will be accompanied by the General Secretary and Treasurer, Brother E. J. Bohmer of Cleveland, Tenn., and Brother H. L. Whittington, State Overseer of South

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## Stewardship

By S. W. LATIMER, Gen. Overseer

1 Cor. 4:1.

**L**ET a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God."

There has not a complaint come to this office this year that would make me believe the ministers are not doing their very best, but this little message is intended to encourage the hearts of our ministers on the field. If we will only be true to God just a little while longer, I am sure we will receive our reward for our stewardship here. We have heard of many sufferings; some say they could hardly stay on their work on account of non-support. We wish to state to the laity of the Church, This is a time for us to be faithful as stewards, and stewardship will apply to the laity of the Church as well as to the ministry. We hope that you will see to it that your pastor has at least enough support to make it possible for him to stay on the field and pray and work for the lost.

In stewards it is expected that they be faithful. One of the main things is prayer. He who prays much will be found faithful in all of his duties, not only to the church but to the community in which he lives. It is true that he who thinks more of God's judgment than his own or other men's will be likely to be led into right action and the right use of God's gifts. He will leave such judgment to the Judge of all the earth. He will wait on God in prayer, and God will make manifest the counsels of His will and then he will not only have praise of God but will also have the praise and approval of the people over whom God has placed him. The one certain truth is that the Chief Shepherd will see us and we shall see Him. It doesn't matter so much what people think or say of us; the main thing is, what does God think of us? Oh, what a great thought it is to all who are working for God! We should not forget that our sole task in life is to gather in the thousands of souls, not only here but throughout the whole world. We shall incur the displeasure of the Chief Shepherd if we fail to put forth our best efforts. "All souls are mine, saith the Lord of host." Then every day, every night, with every power we have before us, we should put forth our very best to gather in the flock from all parts of the world. He who would neglect his duty

and fail to do that God would require of him, certainly could not feel safe at this time when it seems that all the host of Satan is attacking not only the sinners and unbelievers but the saints. I wonder if those who are thinking most of their own interest, building palaces to live in and furnishing them, and failing to give God that that is His, holding back their tithes at this time of need when hundreds of our precious ministers need their portion, that they might go into the fields and labor for the Master, can hope to gain by so doing. When Nehemiah returned to Jerusalem with his company to build back the walls for the protection of God's people and that the work of the Lord might be reestablished, that He might have praise, and honor, and glory in His courts, he found that the Levites had forsaken the temple worship and had gone to the fields. The singers had left off singing the praises of God and had gone out to labor for their bread. Now we have the most loyal people in all the world and thousands are doing everything they can for the ministry, but as a whole our people are not doing just what God's Word requires as stewards of the manifold graces of God. You can't afford to hold back your tithes and fail to support the Church at this crisis. Truly we are going the last mile of the way and oh, how we need to bestir ourselves and put forth every effort for the salvation of the lost.

I receive many letters every week telling me of how they are longing to get out into the field and labor for the Lord. Some have stepped out by faith, trusting God for their support. God is blessing. Many revivals are on in the different parts of the United States. I wonder if some are not feeling that they have failed God in not supporting the ministers as they should. I want to make an appeal to every member and minister in the Church of God to do your best in every way for Him. Those who feel that they should hold jobs and be engaged in the different avocations in order to make a support, will you please remember that

you owe God the tenth and when you fail to honor Him with your substance you are hindering the gospel, and thereby you

may cause many souls to be lost. Think of the effort that the atheists and communists are putting forth at this time. They are sowing the country down with their wicked literature. In every large city you can find tracts and publications from the different societies of rank infidelity. When a man or woman joins their ranks they keep right in behind him or her until they know they are raising their voices against the inspired Word of God and denouncing the heartfelt blessings that we not only profess but possess in our hearts. Oh, I wish I could sound a war-cry to the Christians. Surely God would have us put forth our very best effort at this time for we haven't long to work. Thousands of souls are at stake. Religion is at a low ebb, especially among the nominal churches. Every Holy Ghost filled man and woman ought to awaken and put forth their best efforts for the salvation of souls.

Recently a little book fell into my hands and in this little book was a letter written to some friends in one of our southern towns from Russia. This writer was telling her friends how they appreciated their letters, also the gifts that they had sent them. These friends had proposed to send some clothing and other valuable presents to their new-born babe in Russia. She stated that such gifts would have to be sent thru committees appointed by their chief leader who were to inspect and look into such matters. And she doubted seriously whether they would allow them to have only a certain amount of garments for their baby. This mother also stated that they had named their baby "Little Communist." Think of an American, from a land of liberty and true heartfelt religion, straying from the paths of rectitude and right in a dark land of communists and atheists. This party also stated that her husband was working day and night to promote the interest of communism and they hoped by careful and earnest efforts to prove to the world that their five-year plan would be a success. And here the majority of Christians think that the only thing to do is to shout and have a big time and go along in the usual way. O God, help us to wake



up and put on the whole armor of God that we may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil!

Mark my prediction, twelve months from today will bring by far a greater change in religion and government than we least expect. Nothing but the true, blood-washed and obedient will be able to stand. God has a life plan for every human life in the eternal counsels of His will. He has arranged the destiny of every star, every grain of sand, every grass blade, every tiny insect which lives, and the Creator also has a plan for you and me. Our lives are to be a continual unfolding of thoughts and efforts for the salvation of the lost. We should do the work and seize the joy each day as it comes so that the forward look shall not dim our eyes to the beautiful road that leads to duty and sacrifice. God will lead us to every duty and will help us to do it with a loving touch and with the sweetness of fellowship that will fill every hour with a hope and glow that will be an influence to the lost and dying as we pass this way.

1 Peter 4:10, "As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another as a steward of the manifold graces of God. Peter is here exhorting the people to make use of the gifts that God had given them. If we will do this God will give us His grace and favors. I want to encourage those who are in the rural districts or in cities where they have just a few in the church, your only hope is to be instant in prayer and if you will pray earnestly to God He certainly will visit you with showers of His blessings. I remember when I first started out to work for the Lord, I had to work to support my family during the week. I have gone to my appointment on Saturday evening and preached until Sunday evening, ride back home in the night and sometimes never go to bed but go to my work next day and work all day. Oh, the victory I had in my soul in those days! I could feel God's Shekinah glory as it would come down and sweep over me. After I was overseer I have walked from ten to twenty miles in one day and preach that night and go to bed without any supper. But I tell you my heart was filled with love for the Lord. I had to go, I could not stay at home. And so it will be with every true, definitely called servant of God.

I believe this is going to be the best year the Church has ever witnessed, especially in these last years, and I am sure it will if everybody will fully obey the Lord. Ministers, I appeal to you, do your best this year. Laymen, you cannot fail God at this time and be happy. Put everything you have into the Church and God's work and let's make one last and united effort for the salvation of all those who want to love the Lord. According to the working powers of Satan, we can't understand why Jesus doesn't come. It may be that He is waiting for us to put forth every effort to finish the task assigned to our hands and then suddenly He will appear and lift us from this troublesome world into that glorious place that He has gone to prepare for us. The struggle

then will be o'er and the last battle for the Church will be fought. Should it come tomorrow, do you feel that you have done your best?

## God Is Not Mocked

By H. O. WILSON

SEVERAL months ago, a number of scientists and atheists, among them semi-believers in God, scoffers and those who had the form of Godliness, but denied the power thereof, assembled themselves around the festive board for the celebration of the hundredth birthday anniversary of Huxley, the dead scientist and atheist, in a large hall in London. The great Metropolis was combed for the scientist who could best give an oration in memory of the dead scoffer. The speaker, who was famed throughout all England as a scholar and atheist, was also known as a magnetic speaker who could draw visions and pictures around his subject. In respect for the speaker's family, the source of information withheld his name.

After all the dinner guests had gormandized themselves and drank well of the various liquors, just as they did at the great feast of Belshazzar in Daniel's day, the speaker, solemnly and with august dignity, arose and eulogized the dead scientist. Then having finished his discourse on the wonderful attainments of the great unbeliever and scoffer, the speaker himself sought to tickle the ears of those present when he made an attack on the Christian faith. He said that Paul, although a scholarly Hebrew, when struck down by the light, and an imaginary voice while traveling to Damascus, became dizzy from the effects and continued dizzy all through his ministry, bringing forth doctrines that no sane man or woman could accept. (The natural man receiveth not these things. — Paul.) He ridiculed the claim of the Church that it had been led by the Holy Spirit for nineteen hundred years. His remarks about Paul's being dizzy brought forth laughter and scoffing and those present were about to applaud the speaker for his master oration, when they saw him collapse and sink to the floor. Speechless lips and solemn faces gazed amidst the awe of silence that followed. The speaker gave a few gasps and the death rattle in his throat bespoke his fate. "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."—The King's Herald.

## HAD A FEAST FROM THE LORD

Dear saints of God and Evangel readers. I just praise God for this beautiful sunshiny morning of Dec. 14, 1932, and not only for the morning but for peace and joy that I feel bubbling up within my soul as I write. I thank God for the Holy Ghost that abides just now. Oh, how it comforts, guides, leads and protects. Well, it's just everything to me. This is as near as I can tell it.

I praise God just now for His great

healing power. Oh, the many times that great healing virtue of Jesus Christ has penetrated this frail body of mine. I have been healed of many things besides two evil spirits being cast out through the prayers of a few true blue saints of God. Oh, dear readers, you don't know how much I've got to thank God for. Praise His name!

Well, I would like to say a little about our district meeting at Piney Grove which was held last Sunday. Brother Clyde Cox gave the welcome address. We feel sure everybody felt welcome. If not we agree with Brother Cox, "They ought to be ashamed," for he did his best to make us all feel at home.

After this our beloved state overseer, Brother R. P. Johnson, got up before a waiting congregation of between two hundred fifty and three hundred people and what do you suppose his subject was? It was this, "The Church of God." We feel satisfied in saying no one has ever heard this subject preached plainer or more enlightening than Brother Johnson preached it. After this we were dismissed for noon.

My, the good things those people did have there to eat! Those sisters from Brunswick and around Piney Grove must have done their best. I don't know how many good cooks were represented there but there was plenty to eat.

About two o'clock we returned to the house for another feast from the Lord. About the first thing after singing service was a report from the local churches. Each church marched and a report was made by the pastor of said church. Out of forty-one members there were only about thirteen to represent Odessa. Among this number was our pastor, Brother E. E. O'Neal. We did our best to hold Odessa to the front. After the reports were heard from the local churches then we had to come home, but we feel sure those that stayed enjoyed hearing those other sermons.

Well, we came home, but we didn't stay at home. We went down to my home community, known as Langford, to have services. Oh, how the Lord did bless. After singing services we had a good old time testimony service which we enjoyed. The Holy Ghost called sinners and a few heeded the call by making their way to the altar after a good message delivered by Brother O'Neal. After the good altar service we went home to await Monday night. Brother Johnson came, and oh, how the Lord did bless him. His message was wonderful. We hope our state overseer will get to be with us many more times this coming year if the good Lord is willing. We shall remember him in our prayers, and his family also, altho' we do not know his family personally, but may the Lord bless and keep every one of them is my prayer.

When you pray, remember the little church at Odessa and pray for me to be a faithful soldier of the cross. Pray for my dear companion. He is saved and sanctified and desires the Holy Ghost.—Your humble sister in Christ, Mrs. G. F. Strickland, Jesup, Ga., Rt. 1.

# The Sunday School

**W**HEN I speak of Sunday School I mean that hour of

discussion which includes not only the tiny tot, but all classes, including gray-haired fathers and mothers, and so far as I am concerned I consider it one of the greatest opportunities and best of all our worship unless it would be prayer. Not only are the little children taught about the Lord and saving grace, but the aged are likewise refreshed and made to understand the Word of God better.

By E. C. CLARK, Editor

er will have a growing class, but an indifferent and careless one will have a de-

clining class.

## METHODS

Methods used in promoting the general interest of a Sunday School vary. What would be successful in one community might not work well in another, but if the superintendent is wide awake and progressive in his ability and foresight he will find some way to increase the interest of his Sunday School.

## EQUIPMENT

The most vital equipment is suitable buildings. Without such the Sunday School will always be hindered. After buildings have been obtained then proper Sunday School equipment itself is next. There should always be plenty of literature on hand. To be unable to present a new scholar or a visitor with a quarterly or a leaflet is embarrassing and throws undue reflection on the management of the Sunday School. To be unable to supply quarterlies to students for home study in case they become lost during the quarter will result in a loss of efficiency and interest in the class. Always have plenty of literature on hand for a Sunday School.

## REGISTER BOARDS

The register board is the public record of the Sunday School. The whole class watches and waits eagerly the total on the register board of the attendance, the offering and such like. These will stimulate interest in the Sunday School itself when other methods have failed.

## USE OF BANNERS

The offering from the classes can generally be increased by the use of a banner known as the Banner Class Offering. This banner is presented, after the offering is taken, to the one giving the largest offering. You will find this a good way to keep your Sunday School out of the financial rut. An Attendance Banner would be presented to the class having the largest attendance each Sunday. It keeps a thrifty, energetic spirit among the classes to have a suitable attendance each Sunday.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Sunday School buttons can be used successfully by naming your classes and presenting buttons containing the name of the class to each student. These are rather inexpensive but help to stir a general interest in your Sunday School. Many of the above mentioned equipments help to add appearance and taste to your Sunday School room and class work which is always appreciated. A good housekeeper appreciates some wall decorations and a tidy house, and everybody appreciates that kind of a home. The Sunday School should be made tidy and pleasing in its appearance so as to be properly appreciated by those in attendance.

## NO MAN HATH HIRED US

There are many men and women today

who are idle who seem to say, "No man hath hired us." Many of these are men and women of great ability. Some would make superintendents of the better class, others teachers of no mean ability, and not very far from many of your doors is a neglected community, an empty church building or schoolhouse where a strong Sunday School could be organized with little effort. "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields that are already white unto harvest" and select a place and make an effort to offset the growing apostasy and the efforts of the teachings of atheism and other false theories about God and the creation by teaching the coming generation and those that present themselves in your audience about God.

There are approximately 14,000,000 of the younger generation in America out of Sunday School. This vast multitude would furnish 1,000,000 classes of fourteen to each class. This would give work to 1,000,000 teachers. Divide the 14,000,000 into Sunday Schools of five classes, fourteen members to each class, would give us 200,000 Sunday Schools which would furnish work for as many superintendents and an equal number of secretaries. Many whole counties have no Sunday School. Many churches do not have them because they are not awake to the opportunity that presents itself. We need a mighty awakening among us to the opportunity of Sunday School work.

## A LIVE CHURCH AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

A working Sunday School is the result of a working church or its officers who are themselves workers. A working Sunday School will soon become a working church. You cannot teach children, fathers and mothers and the hungry hearts of humanity about Christ without them becoming desirous to experience His love. This calls for a revival in the new communities which will result in many conversions and, perhaps, a permanent church. Let us, therefore, enlarge our Sunday School activities within our local church and if there is a neighboring community into which you could enter and organize a new school, by all means do so.

## MEANS TO PRESS THE BATTLE ON

On the sixth day of November 1932 I set a church in order at Big Vein, Va. Pocahontas, Va. is the post office address. The church was set in order with fourteen members and two more came in later making a membership of sixteen. Brother T. W. Harmon has given the new church a revival and he surely did help and strengthen the work. There were four saved, four sanctified and four filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother Harmon made many friends and was an uplift to the church. Brother Harmon's family lives down on the eastern shore of Maryland and he is pastoring and doing evangelistic work for me. You all pray for his success, also for my success. I mean to press the battle on. I want to wear an overcomer's crown.—G. W. Helmick, district overseer.

## DEALING WITH CHILDREN

The Sunday School especially deals with children in their infancy and before that period of life wherein after many of them have fallen into decay in divers sins, many of which can be prevented if a child is taught at home and properly taught in the Sunday School.

The importance of Sunday School work as an agency to offset atheism, evolution and all of its destructive effects concerning the existence of God and the creation itself cannot be underestimated. The Catholics have said, give them a child until it is twelve years old and then any one else can take it and it will always remain a Catholic. If the Catholics can do that with a child can we not do as much? If we can, will we be held responsible if we do not? The testimony of old men and women is generally to the effect that they were saved when they were children. By far a larger majority are saved in their younger days. God has laid great emphasis upon training a child in the way it should go. This was spoken unto parents, but does it lessen the church's responsibility since unto it has been committed the testimonies of Christ, the feeding, nourishing, and caring for God's flock?

## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHURCH

The Sunday School is not an institution of its own. It is only another form of the church at work. The people that make up the Sunday School are either the members of the church congregation or prospects for such. The local church cannot be negligent in Sunday School work if it is to fulfill its calling and commission. The Sunday School is dependent upon the local church for its spirituality. The local church itself is little less than dependent upon the Sunday School for its increase.

## TEACHERS

Teachers should always be spiritual having a proper influence and ability to teach. Then they should qualify themselves by searching for proper explanation and light of the truth contained in their lessons. Teachers should not go to their classes unprepared to discuss and teach those that sit at their feet. A prayerful, studious teacher will be loved by his class and will be effective in his method of instruction, whereas, negligent, careless teachers will fail. An able teach-

## Edification

W. G. WEBB

1 Cor. 14:3.

**T**HIS subject is of as vital importance to the ministers and members of the Church of God today as it was in the days of Paul. "He that prophesieth speaketh unto men to edification, and exhortation, and comfort."

Edification comforts and blesses the hungry saint of God and even the sinner feels the power in edification. It is real nourishment to the tempted and tried child of God. The peace in the local church depends on edification. God demands it from the pulpit and from every member. If we speak in an unknown tongue, pray that we may interpret, that the church may be edified. If we preach, pray that the message will be full of love and grace to the edifying of the church and congregation.

In our every-day life, ministers and members, God demands us to live unto edification. The saint of God has the Holy Ghost which is the Spirit of truth, and truth edifies. We are living in the dispensation of grace and we find that the early church had great grace upon them and just as sure as there was great grace there was also edification that constrained the people to turn from idolatry unto a living God. The message of salvation must be accompanied with every-day edification if it reaches the lost.

Edification and charity are linked together, for charity thinketh no evil and is not puffed up and surely that is edifying to the body of Christ. Our testimonies must be without a get-back or they won't be edifying. I have conducted revivals where some of the members would get up and say Thus and So said this and that about them. This is not edifying, neither is it charity. Edification is not hunting faults, neither finding them. The hidden man in our hearts is Christ and He won't say thus and so about our brethren, but edifies the true saint of God and the saint does not behave himself unseemly and does not seek to please himself but to please some one else. The child of God that seeks to edify will get the richest blessings from God and will excel all others in winning souls. "He that winneth souls is wise."

Edification is the wisdom of Christ and is transmitted to us in the baptism of the Spirit. The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, faith, meekness, temperance, and many other good fruits.

The word edification means to build up, improvement in knowledge, in morals. This being true, we should study to edify in every way possible and grow up into a holy temple of God. Edification means to be wise and hold our conversation to those without with all purity and sincerity as the Bible tells us our conversation is in heaven and should become the gospel of Christ. Contrary to this admoni-

tion I have heard Holy Ghost persons or members telling outsiders the faults and shortcomings of their brothers and sisters, which has a tendency to drive them away from the Church of God and probably if they are unsaved will be lost as a result of losing faith and confidence in those who do not seek to edify. I have been in homes where fathers and mothers talked about the faults and shortcomings of members until they caused their unsaved children to lose confidence and faith in all Christendom and then their parents would wonder why their children were never touched by the gospel.

Some pastors will practice what they call "skinning," and outsiders within the doors will go away and never come back to church again and that pastor will wonder why folks don't come to church. O God, help us to improve along the line of edification, and the very God of peace will sanctify us wholly. Amen.

### JESUS STILL BLESSING IN WILLIAMSBURG, PA.

We thank God for the wonderful revival which closed Dec. 18 with twenty-four souls saved, eighteen added to the great Church of God (eleven men and seven women), and nine filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother and Sister Morrow from Hamilton, Ohio started the revival Nov. 26 and it continued two weeks. They are surely God-sent people. Sister Morrow said the revival was prayed down when she came, that she didn't have to revive the saints after she came but started right in to preach to the sinners. She is a humble child of God and preaches foursquare for the Church of God. Many received the victory and shouted, danced and spoke in tongues. One sister had a vision of a dear brother getting his last call. She went to him and fell before him entreating him to come. Praise God, he came and didn't even get to the altar but dropped down in the aisle and was gloriously saved. Every one loved Brother and Sister Morrow and we all want them back. Sister Morrow dug deep into the Scriptures and didn't compromise with the devil. They left Dec. 12 for New York.

Then Sister Baker took charge and held services for one week with a wonderful outpouring of the Holy Ghost. Sister Baker is a precious saint of God and stands firm on the Church of God doctrine. She does not compromise with the devil either. The Lord surely blesses her in giving out the Word.

Just before Brother and Sister Morrow came Brother Ralph Koshewitz, our pastor, received seven members into the church. Brother Ralph stands for truth and right and is a true child of God. He surely wages war on the devil and preaches the Bible. He wears a broad smile of love for every one. Sister Morrow said it was wonderful the way he held his church with such love and fellowship.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. C. E. Norris.

### 16 SAVED, 12 SANCTIFIED, 10 FILLED WITH HOLY GHOST

**BELPRE, Ohio.**—On Nov. 24 we started a revival in Belpre, Ohio. Three were saved, sanctified and filled with the Baptism and on the following Sunday night Brother A. R. Reed from Missouri joined us and preached for us three weeks. The good Lord did bless wonderfully. We can't find words to express it but when we say wonderful it is putting it mild. Brother Reed is a real preacher and stands foursquare for the Church of God. There were sixteen saved, twelve sanctified, ten filled with the Holy Ghost and nine added to the church for which we thank the Lord. We desire your prayers for us here at Belpre, Ohio. Pray that the church will grow and pray for the work here.—Written by the pastor, Raymond Orrick, Belpre, Ohio.

### REVIVAL HELD

**TALKING ROCK, Ga.**—On Sept. 22, 1932 our pastor, Bro. C. G. Coggins, began a revival at the White Stone Church of God. Brother Coggins conducted the meeting for a week and three days, then on Oct. 1 Brother M. F. Phillips from Blairsville, Ga. came in and finished, giving the devil the black eye. There were four filled with the Holy Ghost, three sanctified and baptized in water. More have come in later. We thank the Lord for giving us another good pastor for this year. Brother Baldree surely is a good man. Each one please pray for the work here and for me.—Yours in the Lord's service, Charlie Sullivan.

### MINISTERS' \$5.00 ASSESSMENT

Below we give the names of the ministers who have paid their \$5.00 assessment: R. E. Drymon, N. B. Osban, J. H. Walker, E. C. Clark, E. J. Boehmer, S. W. Latimer, F. M. Waldron, W. W. Harmon, J. C. Lentz, E. B. Culppepper, Annie M. Lindsey, H. L. Chesser, Rome Brous, Hatie Brous, Curtis M. Dunn, J. J. Culppepper, Paul H. Walker, F. B. Marine, C. F. James, James Dixon, Sidney M. Pearson, H. N. Scoggins, Zeno Tharp, John Arrwood, J. B. Cole, Ella Mae Gaines, John L. Stephens, Mrs. W. M. Newman, J. W. Hughes, J. P. Hughes, Minnie Haynes, R. H. Klautdt, James H. Eagle, Rodger G. Looney, Willie Huddleston, C. B. Huff, J. D. Wilson, M. L. Lowe, J. C. Cox, T. C. Franklin, Mrs. Amelia Shumaker, D. J. Cupp, M. S. Haynes, Mrs. M. S. Haynes, C. W. Cleland, Earl Paulk, P. F. Fritz, H. J. Murphy, G. W. Helmick, I. H. Marks, Alva Mae McClure, Forest Ash, J. P. Green, T. L. McLain, H. O. Harris, L. C. Chambers, J. R. Mullinax, Ben Woodring, Hooper Maxwell, J. A. Self, M. P. Cross, David Smith, W. J. Milligan, Katherine Stromswald, Edgar Frey, E. Haynes, Mrs. E. Haynes, J. M. Snyder, H. L. Whittington, D. G. Phillips, J. B. Eades, R. Huff, Joel Stamper, Lawrence Hughes, E. O. Kerce, R. L. Alderman, R. P. Johnson, Helen Swanson, Geo. W. Cooper. Who will be next?



# Hiafa and Mt. Carmel

ON the morning of Aug. 14 we landed at Hiafa on the shore of the beautiful bay of Acre. The boat was anchored fully one half mile from the shore so that the passengers must here also go to land by small boat.

As we looked toward the head of the bay into which flows the waters of the Kishon River, our eyes rested upon that which seemed to be a broad plain, dotted with numerous hills which seemed to be sand dunes as one would see upon the desert. To our right stood the majestic Mt. Carmel, rising at the highest point to an altitude of about eighteen hundred feet. It was when we looked upon this that our hearts were filled with thanksgiving and praise to the Lord, that after so many days tossed upon the deep we were to disembark at such a hallowed spot, the place made dear to us by the activities of the prophets Elijah and Elisha in their contention against Baal worship.

We were somewhat delayed in our landing because the institute with which we were sailing was getting off another party on the Alesia which was at this time in port. The program was finally completed, however, and we were taken to shore to the Stella Morris Hospice on the point of Carmel. This hospice has a monastery in connection with it and is run by the Carmelite order of monks. I cannot think of a more wonderful place for rest in all the world. The air is very cool and plentiful and the situation for scenery unsurpassed. One might look to the north across the beautiful bay, and see the town of Acre as it stands out on a point at the other side. To the right of this can be seen the crescent beach which partly surrounds the Bay of Acre and makes its entire eastern boundary. To the southeast one looks up the Carmel ridge to the reputed place of sacrifice, and on the west lies the great Mediterranean. At the foot of Carmel is the city of Hiafa which seems to have been of little, if any, note in Bible times, but today it is the principal port of Palestine. The Jews have a large soap factory and olive oil plant there and are exporting much of their products to the United States as well as elsewhere.

There are several convents on Carmel, which claim to be on the original site of Elijah's activities. Many of them are so well located as to make them very suggestive of the places for which tradition holds they are. A convent near the point of Carmel is built over a cave, known as the "Grotto of Elias," which, according to those in charge, is without a doubt the one in which Elijah lived at the time he prayed for rain. It fits the Bible narrative very well and its location is such that it would have been very easy for the servant to look out over the sea as soon as he had emerged from its mouth.

By E. L. SIMMONS

The outstanding event that took place on Mt. Carmel was the great test sacrifice or the triumph of Elijah over the prophets of Baal. "And it came to pass, at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that thou art God in Israel, and that I am thy servant, and that I have done all these things at thy word." Then the fire of the Lord fell, and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench. And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces and they said, The Lord he is the God; the Lord he is the God." 1 Kings 18:36-39.

Tradition fixes the scene of the sacrifice at the highest point of the mountain, which is about eight miles from the sea. We think this very probable inasmuch as the sacrifices were most invariably made on the high places. There is a monastery at this place to mark the exact spot which I think is impossible for us to know, though it may be near.

A footpath down the mountain from our hospice led us to a very large cave which is known as the School of the Prophets. It is about as well shaped far a school as a cave could be, having a capacity of about one hundred and fifty people or more. There are many Hebrew inscriptions on the walls which would give some credit to the idea that it was used as a school for the Jewish people. The Carmelite order claims to have had a monastery there as early as the third century, but this was taken by the Arabs in the seventh century and has been a mosque ever since that time.

Aside from all these traditional sites, the whole of Carmel, which is approximately eight miles long, stands as a mighty monument to that great prophet, Elijah, who at the risk of his life, and in the face of an apostate people led by an idolatrous woman, dared to stand for God and the right. We are sure that he trod its rocky surface and that in some one or more of its hundreds of caves he made his residence.

## THE LORD WAS PRESENT IN MIGHTY POWER

I am glad to report victory in my soul. I am so glad I am saved, sanctified and baptized with the sweet Holy Ghost and a member of the great Church of God. I am reporting our meeting we had at Nettleton, Ark. The dear Lord was with us in mighty power from the beginning of service. Service opened with songs, prayer and shouts. Brother Martin made a short talk to the children then a Christmas tree was unloaded for the Sunday School children. Brother T. F. Young then brought a soul stirring message on

"The Second Coming of Christ." This was enjoyed by all. We met early Sunday morning, Christmas Day, for Sunday School. After Sunday School we had a program which surely was nice. While we were singing one song a man got wonderfully saved. After feasting on the heavenly manna they spread a nice dinner at the church and we surely did have a nice time.

We then gathered for afternoon service. We had singing and prayer followed by a message by Brother Martin on "Christ's Birth and the Wise Men." This was followed by a message by Brother T. F. Young. These messages surely were enjoyed. The night service opened with songs, prayer, shouting, dancing and talking in tongues. Brother Martin brought us another message on "The Church of God" and six were added to the dear Church of God. The service closed with the Lord's Supper and feet washing. I want every one who knows the worth of prayer to please pray for the Nettleton church, also the work in Arkansas and pray that we will ever stay low and humble at the Savior's feet. —Your sister in Christ, Mrs. R. R. Martin, Leachville, Ark.

## GOD WILL SURELY CLAIM HIS OWN

ELLIOTT, Md.—Dear saints in the faith of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Praise His holy name forever! I praise Him for all He has done for me and others here at Elliott. I have lived a saved life for ten years but was not satisfied with that experience for I felt down in my heart there was a deeper walk with the Lord. Bless the dear Lord for ever. I could not see the light on holiness until last May the Lord put it on the heart of Brother Clarence Abbott of Cambridge, Md. to come to Elliott, Md. to preach the full gospel. He set up a tent, and with the help of Brother Lloyd Justice of Crisfield, Md. bringing the soul stirring message in song and praise, God came and blessed in a marvelous way by satisfying our souls' desire by saving several and sanctifying some and filling a few with the good Holy Ghost and I was one of that number, praise the Lord!

Early in the fall Brother F. B. Marine of Cambridge, Md. came down and set a Church of God in order and God is still blessing for He has blessed us with a servant of God as our preacher, Brother Lloyd Justice and family of Crisfield, Md. We haven't a permanent place of worship but we are praying for one soon and I am asking the prayers of all the saints that God may undertake and open up a place for us. We are going to begin special services and all who read this please pray much that the Lord may bless and bring a great revival at Elliott, Md. We realize the work is hard without a building to worship in but we feel the Lord is able to save anywhere. Pray for me.—Your sister in Christ Jesus, Mrs. Alberdie Gray.

## NOTICES

(Continued from page 2)

Carolina. Let us pray and look forward to some special meetings at this time. I will meet the party at the International Boundary Line and continue with them on an inspection tour of the mission work in Old Mexico, winding up with a visit to the Church of God Mission Headquarters at Ciudad Obregon, Sonora. Upon returning to the United States we hope to continue our visitation work, taking in every church and mission in Arizona and California, winding up with a three day convention at Baldwin Park, Calif., March 3-5 inclusive. I am sorry we can not give you longer notice but this will be Brother Latimer's only chance to come during this assembly year. Watch for announcements of special meetings here and there at the different local churches and come to the convention.—J. H. Ingram, State Overseer.

The Church of God at Thomaston, Ga. would like to know the spiritual condition of E. A. Pitts, Oppie Pitts, H. L. Knight, Susie Knight, Celesta Holder, Ellen Holder, Ellene Holder, Ara Moore.—C. N. O'Kelly, clerk, 104 N. St. S. W., Thomaston, Ga.

We are in a real revival here. Souls are praying thru in every service, and getting old time, Bible salvation. The Lord is blessing us at Thomaston. We ask the saints everywhere to pray that the Lord will continue to bless.—A brother in Christ, C. N. O'Kelly, Thomaston, Ga.

To the churches and ministers in Tex.: The Paris district convention will convene at Ladonia, March 10-12; Pearlite district convention will convene at Cherry Hill, March 17-19; the Crockett district convention will convene at Lone Oak, April 7-9; the Beaumont district convention will convene at Port Arthur, Apr. 21-23. (You will notice in last week's issue I stated that the Beaumont district convention would convene at Beaumont but I am correcting that this time, as it will convene at Port Arthur). Everybody is cordially invited to come. We are expecting the presence of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost.—I remain your humble servant, J. C. Coats, Overseer of Texas.

Brother Max Atkins and Brother Whitmore and their coworkers held a revival here for the past three weeks. Ten were saved and four sanctified and others are looking this way. We are proud of our church and Y. P. E. Our hearts are filled with gratitude for Brother and Sister R. E. Hamilton. Pray for us in Asheville.—A sister, Clela Mae Jennings, Asheville, N. C.

To any Church of God family who is out of work: I own a five room house with plenty of land right here in the village close to the church, high and common schools, post office and stores.

Any family of the Church of God who is out of work and wants to keep the family together may use it with no rent to pay and have a chance to plant all they want to, with a chance to keep a cow and some hens, and if they can preach the gospel under the anointing of the Holy Ghost, would most likely be in use lots of the time. Any one interested please get in touch with me. This is a good location and during summer time we have large crowds. We have no pastor at present.—Your brother in Him, W. H. Miller, Appleton, Me.

To the pastors of Mississippi, greetings. I take this means of saying that March 5, first Sunday, is set aside for special mission day, to be observed thru-out the States. I am asking each pastor to put on a special mission service that day (or night). Remember the progress of the work in general depends on the faithfulness of its ministers. Please see that the Sunday School secretaries make a report of the monthly attendance at the end of each month. Come on, boys, let's line up the work for a great year. Already good revivals are in progress. Pray, preach, boost the cause of the Church of God. Remember every minister in the state is expected to attend the state convention, also the district meetings. I am depending on you. Would like for every pastor to drop me a line. Tell me how you are getting along with your work in general.—Faithfully yours, T. M. McClendon, State Overseer of Mississippi, Rt. 1, Tomnolen, Miss.

A revival is to start at Mooresville, March 5, following a program arranged in interest of our young people. The program will be given Mar. 4. If you are in reach of us, don't miss this. Some good Bible plays will be given, such as "Job," "The Good Samaritan," "Mother and Home," "The Orphan Child," also songs and other things of interest. Come and enjoy this program and stay for the revival. We need your help. If you can't come, pray that God will help us. Brother John L. Stephens will be in charge. We expect a good time and many souls. Keep us in mind and pray.—Yours for Jesus, Annie M. Lindsey, 16 E. Catawba Ave., Mooresville, N. C.

The Church of God at Ft. Worth, Tex. would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of the following members: Irene and Wesley Taylor, K. G. Grimmitt, Jannie Kirk, M. M. Stallings, J. E. Baze, Lena Baze, Emma Jewel Baze. If not heard from by next quarterly conference, they will be excluded from the church.—F. D. O'Neal, clerk, 305 E. Belknap St., Ft. Worth, Tex.

## REQUESTS

Please pray for me that God will heal me of an affliction. I have some serious trouble with my head and believe God will heal me thru your prayers.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Pearl Gibson, Wharncliffe, W. Va.

Dear Evangel family, please pray for me as I am going thru one of the greatest tests of my life. Pray that I will be able to stand. I have just had a nervous breakdown and a severe attack of the flu. Also pray for the work at this place. Ask God to save my children, sanctify husband and fill him with the Holy Ghost.—An unworthy sister, Naoma Rogers, Nettleton, Ark.

Please pray for my dear old father whose head is blooming for the grave, and the rest of the family who don't know God, that they will come to the sheltering fold of our loving Savior before it's too late. Please pray that the church at Okeechobee will rise and shine and put on the whole armor of God that she may be robed in white and ready to take her flight when Jesus comes.—A sister in Christ, Rosa Lee Stockwell, Okeechobee, Fla.

I want all the saints to pray for me, my husband and two sons that the Lord will heal us of a breaking out on our bodies. We know the dear Lord can heal all manner of diseases and is the same yesterday, today and forever. He has healed us many times. Pray that our sons will be saved.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Josie Lackey, Rt. 3, Alpharetta, Ga.

Dear saints, the devil has a trap set for me and I want you to pray for God to stay the hand of the enemy. I intend to go thru with God. There are just a few members of the Church of God here but we are expecting the church here to go over the top. Please pray for me that I may stay in the center of God's will, and pray for the work here. God has set His approval on the work and because the devil gets after us it is not going to make us discouraged.—Your brother in the Lord, W. M. Lyle, 1403 9th Ave., N. Nashville, Tenn.

I have a special request by letter for Sister Louise Evans of 104 Oak St., Fulton, Ky. for all the saints to pray for the Lord to heal her body and give her freedom to serve Him in every respect. This means faith, courage, and strength as she has been sick for several months. I am sure from her letter your prayers and letters will be appreciated. Pray much for her and the saints of Graves Chapel.—Your brother, G. W. Ragin, Rt. 2, Ridgely, Tenn.

I desire your prayers for my mother. She has been in bad health since she had pneumonia last November a year ago. I thank the Lord for sparing her life. She has asthma and has real bad smothering spells. Please pray a special prayer for her. Also pray that my husband and father will be saved.—A sister in Christ, Virgie Greene, Chattanooga, Tenn., 911 E. 16th St.

Please pray that God will heal me of stomach trouble of long standing. The united prayers of Christians, I believe, will cause me to be healed for the glory of God.—Leslie Back, Millstone, Ky.



## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

### JESUS SHOWS HIS POWER

Lesson 9 — February 26

TIME: A. D. 28. — PLACE: The Sea of Galilee and vicinity.

**GOLDEN TEXT:** For I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.—2 Tim. 1:12b.

**LEADING THOUGHT:** Christ's power over nature and over demons is a proof of His deity.



**LESSON TEXT:** Mark 4:35-41; 5:1-8; 18-20.

V. 35. "And the same day when even was come." The same day the parables were delivered, at least these mentioned in Mark. "He saith unto them. Let us pass over unto the other side." They departed immediately.

V. 36. "And when they had sent away the multitude, they took him even as he was in the ship." They had taken no provision, therefore, they sent the multitude away and took Jesus as He was unto the other side. "And there were also with him other little ships." Probably trying to get near Him out on the waters where He taught; thus His audience was large, both on land and on sea; the presence of many "ships" afforded ample evidence of many witnesses when He stilled the stormy sea.

V. 37. "And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full." St. Matt. 8:24 says, "The boat was covered with the waves." St. Luke 8:28, "They were filling with water, and were in jeopardy." Some commentators have thought only the boat Christ was in was subject to the tempest; others think all the ships that were in that section were effected. The stilling of the waves and the storm shows Christ's power over sea and air as well as dry land. The miracle occasioned that many might believe Him to be the Omnipotent God. Others think that the tempest was

a symbol of the trials and temptations which should come on the church. For say they, "The Church of God is as a ship in a storm, ever tossed upon the waves of the troublesome world." And that as the storm surges and pushes forward the ships upon the sea, so that oftentimes it more quickly reaches its desired haven, so affliction and temptations quicken the disciples of Christ to a greater desire of holiness, by which they are borne onward more speedily to "the haven where they would be."

V. 38. "And he was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow." Jesus, wearied from the labor occasioned by addressing the multitude, sought the rest the opportunity afforded Him. Sleeping as a man, He was watchful as God. "Behold he that keepeth Israel, never slumbers nor sleeps."

"And they awoke him, and say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish?" The question manifested impatience and irreverence. Perhaps Peter.

V. 39. "And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still." Literally, "Be silent." St. Augustine says that when we are overcome by temptation "Christ sleeps in us." When we are tempted we should arouse Christ within us to the stilling of the temptations. "And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm." The rebuke of the Mighty Christ stills the raging storms, or stills the tossing temptation leaving within the redeemed soul the "stillness of peace."

V. 40. "And he said unto them, Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?" Faith would have suggested deliverance though Christ was Himself asleep. Our fears and worries show a lack of faith.

V. 41. "And they feared exceedingly, and said one to another, What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?" This was perhaps said by the sailors, but perhaps expressed the feelings of all others present. This fear was not from the storm, but from the presence of One so mighty within their midst.

Ch. 5:1. "And they came over unto the other side of the sea." That is, on the southside of the sea. "Into the country of the Gadarenes." Here the city of Gerasa was located. "Immediately over this spot was located a lofty mountain in which are ancient tombs."

V. 2. "And when he was come out of the ship, immediately there met him a man out of the tombs having an unclean spirit." This man dwelt among the tombs, however, Matt. 8:28 mentions "two men." The Jews did not bury their dead in their cities lest they be defiled, they therefore buried their dead in the fields or mountains.

V. 3. The evil and unclean spirit drove him among the tombs where his malady would be further aggravated.

V. 4. The supernatural strength was the result of the demon powers at work. At times, fretted at himself, he sought to destroy himself by "cutting himself with stones."

V. 5. The unclean spirit shunned the public life, seeking to lead his captive to death night and day. See verse 13.

V. 6. But "when he saw Jesus afar off, he ran and worshiped him." Devils also believe and tremble (Jas. 2:19). He felt constrained to do Him reverence.

V. 7. "He cries with a loud voice." That is, the evil spirit cried out, and said, "What have I to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of the most high God?" It is pointed out by some commentators that during the temptation in the wilderness Satan had only an "imperfect knowledge of Christ," but after seeing the mighty miracles and exercise of His power over evil spirits, the hosts of evil readily acclaim Him to be "the Son of God." "I adjure thee by God, that thou torment me not." They acknowledge this defeat and that they expect to be tormented. Such is a concession on their part of the whole truth of inspired utterance.

V. 8. The unclean spirit cast out by Jesus.

V. 18 tells of the love and desire of the man now free to be with Jesus. Such is true of all who receive His benefits.

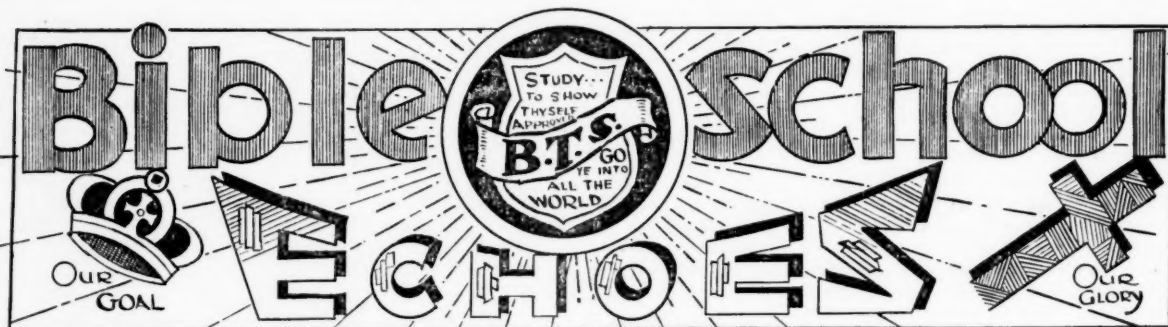
V. 19 bears testimony of the will of God toward all that part of His redeemed creation. It is that we may tell "what great things the Lord hath done for us" and how He "hath had compassion on thee."

V. 20 reveals the truthness of the man delivered to the command of Christ. "All men did marvel" is witness to the effect of his testimony and ministry.

### 4 SAVED, 4 SANCTIFIED, 4 RECEIVED HOLY GHOST

FOUNDING MILL, Va.—I praise the dear Lord this morning for real victory in my soul. I came to Big Vein, Va., a town located near Pocahontas, Va., Nov. 30 to hold a revival for Brother Helmick. It closed Dec. 15. We surely had a time in the dear Lord. There were four saved, four sanctified, four filled with the Holy Ghost and many dear hearts were reclaimed. They threw away their tobacco and snuff and said they were going thru with Jesus. The power of the dear Lord fell. The altar was full nearly every night. Sick bodies were healed. One sick lady had been taken to the hospital and sent home to die. The doctor said she could not live. We went to see her and asked her if she would come in the Church of God if the dear Lord would heal her and she promised me that she would and the dear Lord touched her body and she is getting better every day and expects to be out to testify for the dear Lord and praise Him for His precious goodness.

Dear beloved overseers, pastors and laymen, take courage and press the battle to the front and cry aloud to the lost and dying world. He said 1 Thess. 5:6, "Therefore let us not sleep as do others; but let us watch and be sober." We see the great deluge of this world is coming. He said, when you see things come to pass, look up, for your redemption draweth nigh. I am going back to my field of labor with new courage. Pray for us at Pounding Mill, Va.—T. W. Harmon.



## Things Worth Knowing

Q. What peculiar testimony did Elijah bear all through life?

A. Against idolatry and for the honor of God.

Q. What are some of the changed conditions prevailing in the new China effecting missionary work?

A. New politics, new transportation, new commerce and industry, new education, new social and moral ideas, new dress and customs.

Q. When the young men mocked Elisha, what did they mean by saying, "Go up"?

A. They meant, "Go up to heaven like Elijah."

Q. Who was Jonathan Edwards?

A. He was the founder of New England theology that holds a prominent place in the history of Christian doctrine, and was the greatest revivalist in colonial days.

Q. From what mountain did Jesus ascend?

A. He ascended from Mount Olivet.

## NEWS ITEMS

Men's Quartet No. 1 and both our ladies' quartets greatly enjoyed a visit to Chattanooga last Sunday.

Last Friday's preaching service was quite interesting. No one but Brother Walker knew what the program would be. As Brother Walker called on the students they preached extemporaneous sermons or gave short talks boosting B. T. S. as they expected to boost it after school is out. The Lord blessed and gave us many good thoughts to feast on.

## An Open Letter

### HERE IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY

Dear friends:

The enrollment of the Bible Training School this year far exceeds that of any previous year; the curriculum is greatly enriched; our scope is wider than ever before.

But the financial condition of many students is quite uncertain. Some students have gone home. Now several of our most worthy students, some of them promising young ministers, others with

good records in the past with several years of successful ministry who have felt the need of further training are here largely on faith. Their funds have exhausted but they are lingering yet a few days, praying and trusting that somehow God will open up the way for them to finish this term. Would you not like to help answer their prayers?

Among this number are several who have dedicated their lives to the Lord's service wherever He may call, willing to sacrifice, and I believe to die if necessary, that the gospel may go to the various parts of the earth.

To help these students to gain a greater knowledge of His Word and better prepare themselves for the work they feel He would have them do in spreading this gospel to the lost and dying is your privilege. Do you not feel that God would have you help them at this time? Will you pray definitely about this matter?

This would be too great an undertaking for any one church or Y. P. E., but if each one will help some, much good can be done. We have sent out several dime book Mountain Removers to the various Young People's Endeavors and if you will write us we will gladly send you some to have filled from your community. There is no special allotment to any one person or Y. P. E. We will gladly send you any number desired.

Several have filled the dime books and have sent them in, asking that we send them several more books. One Y. P. E. asked for six dozen more. Come on and do your part; this is your opportunity.

Yours in the Master's service,

BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL,

J. H. Walker, Supt.

The following is a report of the first returns to reach our office with the promise of others to come in later:

Joel Stamper, S. Lebanon, Ohio .....	\$1.00
J. L. Yates, Greenwood, S. C. ....	\$3.00
W. D. Childers, Blacksburg, S. C. ....	\$5.00
L. Atkinson, Detroit, Mich. ....	\$2.00
W. P. Jones, Oak Grove, La. ....	\$1.00
E. E. Winters, Pine Grove, W. Va. ...	\$3.00
E. P. Kimball, Boswell, Pa. ....	\$4.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$19.00</b>

This is an excerpt of one of the first letters received:

Dear Brother Walker: The coin cards received and I consider this a worthy cause. The project was brought before the Y. P. E. here and the young people seem-

ed quite enthusiastic about the matter. I am returning the cards filled with dimes as a result.—E. P. Kimball, Boswell, Pa.

## DESIRING TO BE A WORKER

I am thankful to the Lord today for my being here in Bible School. I am glad for a school of this kind where one can come, especially a young person, and spend his time in studying and preparing for a life of greater usefulness. The school has been of much help to me in many ways. I have enjoyed being here thus far through the term, and appreciate the teachers, students, and good spiritual atmosphere here.

Here we can learn many things on different subjects which will help us and be of great benefit in the future, both to ourselves and to others. In Eph. 5:16 Paul exhorts us to redeem the time because the days are evil. One way to do this is attend B. T. S. and prepare for better service for the Lord. Other ways are by working in the service of the Lord thru preaching, personal work, etc., with a purpose to do all we possibly can in the short time we have. We find scriptures in the Bible telling us to study the Word of God, some of which are: Prov. 28; 22: 20, 21; 1 Tim. 4:13, 15; 2 Tim. 2:15; 1 Thess. 4:11. In these verses the results of study are: an ability to answer those who ask us concerning our faith or things in the Bible, keeping our minds occupied with the things of God—boldness, knowledge, and God's approval upon us.

My desire is that when I leave school I may be of use in the Lord's work and be a blessing to others.—Hilbert Nelson.

## SERVING THE TRUE AND LIVING GOD

Dear Evangel Readers:

I'm praising the Lord for victory and for the privilege of attending this term of B. T. S.

I find that there are some true blue soldiers of the cross here as well as at home, who are serving the true and living God and striving to do His will at any cost, not compromising with the world in any way, but following His precious guide book that will lead us to life everlasting.

We know the enemy of our soul is surely working hard to deceive us. Let us hold fast that which we have for we know it can't be long until the battle

will be o'er and the victory won. Thank the Lord.

Pray for me that I may be a blessing to others, prove faithful, and do my best for Jesus until He comes or calls.—A B. T. S. student, Sister Elma Warner, Ryder, N. Dak.

### I HAVE BEEN BLESSED OF THE LORD

To the readers of the Evangel:

I praise the dear Lord for ever saving

### THE PREACHERS' MEETING IN FLORIDA

The preachers' meeting at Wimauma, Fla. was enjoyed by those twenty-five or thirty preachers who were there on that chilly day in the open tabernacle. The Lord met with us and our souls were warmed by His loving Spirit though the body was a little chilly.

After songs and prayer we had a talk by the writer on the Sunday School work, asking the cooperation of the pastors in making the Sunday School work a success, also giving instructions along the line of the duties of superintendents and teachers. Brother Williams gave an interesting message to the ministers, instructing them in their work, and admonishing them in regard to their duties as successful ministers of the Gospel, and being good soldiers of the cross of Christ, surely every one was made to feel the need of being faithful. There was a good dinner spread and we feasted on the good things of the land that had been prepared and brought there by the good people of that section. Then came the business session in the afternoon which seemed to be enjoyed by every minister as one item of business after another was taken up and discussed and easily agreed upon as there was such a good spirit of unity prevailing there.

We feel sure that the Lord was pleased with the meeting and that these preachers' meetings being held in the state have been of untold value to the work in Florida. No wonder preachers like to work in this good land of sunshine and flowers. We like it just fine.—H. L. Chesser.

### 9 SANCTIFIED, 10 FILLED WITH HOLY GHOST

We have just closed a three weeks' revival here, conducted by Brother Carl Richard. Seven were saved, nine sanctified, ten reclaimed, ten filled with the Holy Ghost and thirteen added to the Church. Seven followed the Lord in water baptism. The last service was the Lord's Supper and feet washing. The house was filled to its standing capacity. There were many tears shed when Brother and Sister Richard bade us good-bye, and they will be welcomed back by both saints and sinners. We expect them again soon. If you want a meeting get Brother and Sister Richard to conduct it. Pray for the church at Black Oak.—Your brother in Christ, W. F. Lynn, clerk, Rt. 7, Sparta, Tenn.

my soul from a life of sin and setting my feet on the solid rock Christ Jesus. Truly every one whom He has saved ought to have much to praise Him for. Bless His great name!

I also praise Him for the healing of my body, for the faith He gives me to trust Him, and for the understanding He gives me of His blessed Word. I know God is able to supply our every need. I ask an interest in the prayers of every reader of this paper.—Yours in His services, Reba Burt, Easton, Md.

### MY FIRST MEETING FOR CHURCH OF GOD

I have just closed a fifteen nights' revival at Pomeroy, Ohio, which was my first work for the Church of God. We had a good meeting. There were large crowds out every night. No one got saved but we feel that the Word found a lodging place in many hearts. There are not many saints here and we want every one to pray much for this place. I have not been in this good way very long. Have had the Holy Ghost only six months, but surely thank the Lord that He gave me the light on the way and also the Church of God. I have been a member about five months.—Your brother in the Lord, Charles Hutten, Ray, Ohio, Rt. 1.

### MUCH GOOD ACCOMPLISHED

We wish to sound a note of praise to the dear Lord through the little Evangel for the great good that has been accomplished through our dear Brother P. C. Sikes. About two years ago he was called to preach the Gospel and we thank the Lord because He sent a true man of God like Brother Sikes our way, because the devil almost had full possession of everything on Tom's Creek, which is only a thickly settled community in a rural district about twenty-one miles from Haylow, Ga.

Brother Sikes was shown a vision of heaven and hell during his call to preach and he understood what each place meant and he surely did preach conviction down on a crowd of us sinners and now there are ten out here filled with the sweet Holy Ghost and fire besides others that are just saved. Oh praise God. I feel good in my soul to think how the Lord has blessed Brother Sikes in giving out the Word and for softening up some of the stony hearts enough to seek salvation before it is too late. Brother Sikes surely has been a faithful servant. He works hard every day and then drives twelve miles at night once a week to our prayer meetings and holds services twice a month on week ends. Large and expectant crowds are always waiting for his heart stirring sermons.

We ask all the Evangel readers everywhere to hold Brother Sikes and his little band of saints at Tom's Creek up before the Lord that we may always feel encouraged to fight the battle thru and at last win victory for our King.—A humble sister in Christ Jesus, Mrs. W. R. Henderson, Haylow, Ga., Star Route.

### 15 SANCTIFIED, 14 BAPTIZED WITH HOLY GHOST

MIDDLETOWN, Ohio.—The first of November Brother T. C. Messer of Pittsburg, Pa. began a revival here, which lasted four weeks. God blessed wonderfully from the beginning. The evangelist and our pastor, Brother J. O. Wilson, spent several days in fasting and prayer. The saints also felt the burden and joined them in the battle against the enemy. God heard their prayers and gave us the victory. God's power and presence was in our midst in a marvelous way. Many times when the evangelist would be preaching God would give us a message thru the Holy Ghost right on the subject he would be talking on. These services were very impressive. Sinners felt the convicting power of the Holy Ghost and came to the altar seeking mercy and pardon at the feet of Jesus.

We truly praise God for the precious souls that found Him in this revival. Twenty were saved, fifteen sanctified, fourteen baptized with the Holy Ghost, nine baptized in water and eleven added to the church. The good messages Brother Messer preached were food to our souls. We enjoyed having Brother Messer with us in a revival for we feel that he is a true servant of God and is in the battle with all his heart, fighting the enemy and lifting up Jesus. I believe many souls that sat in those services and heard the Word preached under the anointing of the Holy Ghost will hear those words ringing in their ears at the judgment bar of God, while on the other hand many will no doubt rejoice throughout eternity because they obeyed the voice of God and left all to follow Jesus. It is so wonderful to really know Jesus as our personal Savior. It is so wonderful that no one has ever been able to find words to express it. Dear brothers and sisters, pray for us that we may continue in this good holy way until Jesus comes.—(Miss) Clara Lewis, 1815 Fleming Rd.

### IT IS WONDERFUL HOW GOD WORKS IN OUR MIDST

I wish to report victory in the battlefield here at Big Springs, Tex. for God. The little church here is certainly growing. God is working in wonderful ways in our midst. Brother B. A. Ratchford, our pastor who has been called by the church for a second year, is a very wonderful man of God. We feel that we are profited by the lives that he and his dear wife live.

I am a new member in the church, but I can truly say it is the most wonderful church I was ever a member of; not praising the church so much, as the God above for it. We plan to begin a revival here soon in Big Spring. The revival spirit is already on. Men and women fall under the power of God. His power is so strong. It is just wonderful how God works in our midst. I am asking all who read this to be sure to pray for our little church.—Miss Geneva Prevo, 606 Johnson St., Big Spring, Tex.



# In Foreign Fields

GO YE INTO ALL THE WORLD

## FROM THE MISSION SECRETARY

In this issue we are publishing a report from Jamaica of one of their district conventions in which Brother Thomas reports they have had a very blessed time.

We are also publishing a report of Sister Mary W. Atkinson's, one of our missionaries in Mexico. She reports a glorious revival now in progress. This will indicate the fertility of the soil and the timely and wise investment in that needy country. The mission work generally seems to be moving along very nicely except funds are very slow. In my opinion the mission cause is one of the most needy in the entire Church and more especially neglected. If the inspired command, Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, means anything to us and the Church of God means anything as a name we are falling far short of our commands. Let us therefore try to measure to the command of our Lord when He commissioned us.

Every minister should raise his quota of five per cent, the amount of tithes paid by the local church every month. Such is a mark of distinguishment among his brother ministers and equally so as being faithful to the General Assembly which ordained this ruling.

A still greater importance and mark of faithfulness, It is unto God who has called us to labor in the gospel. If your church is not tithing you should give them a chance to give to the mission cause anyway. It is needy and worthy and I wonder how bad some of the ministers who have been unfaithful in trying to reach these needy fields will feel when Jesus comes and they have no sheaves to present to Him.

My heart's cry years ago was, "Oh, God, give me souls in every nation under the sun!" Do not let your little pulpit be the only throne upon which you care to sit. Be as the spider, take hold in the king's palace. Go into the far regions of the north, or the hot burning sands of the south, or the dark shades of the west winning souls for Christ and needless to

say, if your soul is aflame with spiritual energy you will press toward the bright rising of the sun in the east. Be faithful if you want to hear from your Master's lips the glad saying, "Well done thou good and faithful servant."

## JAMAICA

Mount Providence district convention convened Jan. 24:26. It would only make it mild to say it was good from start to finish. All who were there, I am sure, can say it was something wonderful. While my physical strength gave way on me the second day and I had to go to bed for five hours, the Lord came to my rescue and gave me strength to return for a part of the afternoon and night service. It was wonderful how the Lord did bless and encourage the people. Praise His dear name! Eternity alone will tell the good done. Pray for the work in Jamaica.

## A REMINDER

It takes 5c to bring an ordinary letter from America to Jamaica and when you send them with short postage there, the taxation is double at this end.—Yours in the faith, Z. R. Thomas, Overseer of Jamaica.

## GOOD NEWS FROM MEXICO

I am glad to report good news at last. When I came the church was almost agonizing because the brother that I left in charge was sick, and he is still sick, but as soon as we bought the place and fixed it I started a revival and it is still going on. Thirty-two have been saved, twenty-four sanctified, and eight filled with the Holy Ghost. Among them is a little girl who has become a wonderful preacher. I surely say that it is a revival because many of these people who have been saved have brought their literature images and jewelry, some to be burned and some to be sold for the benefit of the sick ones, like in the early Church days. So I am praising the Lord for all this.—Yours in the Master's vineyard, Mrs. M. W. Atkinson, Ciudad Obregon, Mex.

## FELT THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD

ZAP, N. Dak.—We praise the dear Lord for the three weeks' revival which just closed at Zap. The revival was conducted by Brother and Sister Roy Cockerell assisted by Brother L. V. Ellis in charge of the singing, also Sisters Tiedman and Hoffman. There were some good seed sown which we hope will bring forth fruit. This is a new field. The devil worked hard but we also felt the presence of the Lord. We had large crowds and much interest was shown. We request the saints everywhere to pray for this place.—Your sister in the Lord, Mrs. John Klauadt, Box 102.

## 35 SAVED, 30 SANCTIFIED, 25 FILLED WITH HOLY GHOST

It is our happy privilege to tell how the Lord has been blessing here in Graham, Tex. A revival held by Brother S. C. Chambers, state evangelist of Texas for 1933, has just closed with thirty-five saved, thirty sanctified, twenty-five filled with the Holy Ghost and nineteen added to the Church of God at Graham, Tex.

We surely did enjoy Brother Chambers being with us, also enjoyed the wonderful preaching under the anointing of the Holy Ghost.—E. Frank Murphy, clerk, Graham, Tex., 306 South St.

## THE TIME IS SHORT

COTTONWOOD, Ariz.—I have just been reading the good testimonies from God's children all over the country. How I would like to meet every one of you! At times when I am reading the good testimonies in the Evangel I just get so happy I lay the paper down and shout and praise God. Oh, I do love God's little ones. The sweet letters from the saints are the first things I read.

When I read Brother Floyd Brown's letter in the Evangel it made me long to be there for that seems to be our calling—to go into new fields and sow the precious seed. At present we are at Cottonwood, Ariz. working among Free Pentecostal people. There is no Church of God here, but there are some dear saints of God here in this place. They have shown us much love since we have been here and God has wonderfully blessed our work here for which we praise Him.

My husband is a Church of God minister. We work wherever God opens a door. We are both saved, sanctified and filled with the precious Holy Ghost and looking for Jesus to come to catch away His Bride any time. As we know the time is short we want to do all we can for the Lord before He comes. We have not had a revival here yet as there was and still is much other work to be done here among the people. We are praying for the revival power to fall when the time is ripe but of all things we want to stay behind the Holy Spirit and let Him lead. Some get ahead and try to lead Him but that never works and often leads to a complete failure.

Oh, it is so sweet to be led by the Holy Spirit. Dear ones, let's all try to be more submissive to the Holy Spirit. We want our own way too much. Let's try to let God have His way more than we ever have before. I am praying for Sister Lowlie Sanders and Sister B. H. Clark. It is high time we pray for the churches everywhere for there is where the enemy is taking his last stand and he is striking hard and fast, trying to make every strike count. He knows his time is short. We should pray for the Church everywhere. Hold her up before God in our prayers.—Your sister in Christ, Lillie Lykens.

## 5 SAVED, 4 SANCTIFIED

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ. I am truly praising God this morning for His marvelous and wonderful power. I have victory in my soul, praise His Holy name! I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.

I am praising God this morning for the wonderful revival that has been conducted at the home of Brother Passmore at Tuckaseegee, N. C. by Brother Charles Watson. Five were saved, four sanctified and one filled with the Holy Ghost in the one week's meeting. Praise His holy name!—Wilma Tolbert, Cullowhee, N. C.

Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.  
—Mark 16:15.

### I AM GLAD GOD LOOKED DOWN AND SAVED ME

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—I just want to praise God for His many blessings and for the deep settled peace in my soul. I am so glad that a year ago the first day of this month God looked down on me, a poor wretched sinner, lost and undone without God in my life, lonely and sad with trouble on every hand, and saved me. Somehow I wandered into a church house that night, bowed at a humble altar and wept my way through to victory. It was there that God saved my lost and dying soul. A few nights later he sanctified me, then in two or three nights He wonderfully baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire and I spoke in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. Acts 2:4. Little did I know when I said, "Lord, if you'll only fill me with the Holy Ghost I'll go all the way. I'll do what you want me to do and I'll go where you want me to go," that a year from that time I would be holding a meeting about six or seven hundred miles away from there and shouting the victory as I have been. I thank God that after being saved three months He saw fit to call me to preach His Word to this lost and dying world.

It was in a tent meeting that Brother Beaube held at Memphis on July 28, 1932 that I stepped out on God's promises and delivered my first message. Then in about a week I went to Sardis, Miss. and helped in a meeting in which God blessed wonderfully. I enjoyed seeing many souls weep their way thru to victory, also a number received the Holy Ghost. After that I went to Ripley, Tenn. and helped in a meeting where no results could be seen. So feeling rather homesick to see friends in Memphis I had planned to go back when some of the dear people insisted on my husband and me holding a meeting about five miles out of town. It was there I began to pray because I had never preached but very little and I thought it impossible for me to hold a meeting. Somehow I decided to step out and trust in God. This morning I'm reporting the victory over sin and the devil and praising God for a victorious meeting. The meeting lasted two weeks although there was but a few nights' service on account of bad weather. The crowds were small. Every time we met God blessed in a wonderful way. We had the pleasure of seeing five weep their way thru to victory and two of them sanctified, also a dear old Baptist sister hung around just a little too long. She surely did ruin herself (as the world thinks) because God looked down on the scene and answered prayer and gave us all the privilege of seeing a Baptist shout for quite a while after God sanctified and filled her with the Holy Ghost and fire.

I truly thank God for such people as we made friends with while there and thank God for fellowship with them. I desire the prayers of every praying person that God will supply a way that I may get to go to see my father to tell him about Jesus. I truly feel if I could only see him and tell him about my blessed

Savior, remind him of the loved ones that are waiting for us over there that he would turn back to Christ. If I could only tell him of the visions I have gotten of my precious mother who died twenty-two years ago. I don't remember her because she died when I was only six months old but I thank God that I have the blessed assurance of meeting her one of these days when Jesus splits those eastern clouds of glory and comes to take those of us who have toiled in His name. I want the prayers of everybody that my husband will keep pressing on and will keep preaching as he too stepped out on God's promises while we were holding the meeting just out of Ripley. Also pray that I will stay humble at the foot of the cross, crucified to self daily, lift Jesus and Him crucified to this lost and dying world, that I'll live what I preach and preach what I live so others can see Jesus in my life, that I'll be a true soul winner for Jesus and a light unto all the world and that I will be found watching and praying when Jesus comes or calls.—Dorothy L. Coleman, in care of S. E. Ivy, Binghamton, Tenn.

### EFFORTS BLESSED

I am praising the Lord for victory over sin. By request of many friends I am reporting these meetings through the Evangel. My wife has been unable to help me for a few months, but by the help of the Lord we are expecting her to be on the field soon. We ask the prayers of our many friends over the states in which we have evangelized.

Brother E. A. Henson and I have conducted two revivals in North Carolina. One was at West Asheville, N. C. The pastor of this church is Brother R. E. Hamilton, whom we find to be a wonderful man of God. We conducted a few days' revival for him in which the Lord wonderfully blessed. There were twelve saved, seven sanctified and three filled with the Holy Ghost.

Our next revival was at Valdese, N. C. where Brother J. G. Houck is pastor. We find that Brother Houck has done a wonderful work at this place and God has wonderfully blessed his efforts. Brother Houck went to Valdese last summer and ran a meeting and set a church in order and has built a nice tabernacle, this being the first revival since the church was organized. We had an awful battle against the enemy but we held on to God in prayer and He gave the victory. There were eighteen saved, eleven sanctified, eight filled with the Holy Ghost and there were about fifteen ready for water baptism but the weather wouldn't permit. On the last night of the meeting we observed the Lord's Supper and had feet washing. The power of God came down and blessed our souls and all the saints were made to rejoice in a wonderful way. We would be glad to hear from all our friends who care to write. Our present address is 1519 Minor St., Anderson, S. C.—Orion L. Alewine.

### SOULS WERE HUNGRY FOR MORE OF GOD

Greetings from Hayti, Mo. in the name of Jesus. Since there hasn't been a report made from this church in almost a year, we feel like we ought to say a few words of how God had been blessing. We came here about six weeks ago and started a meeting. Souls were really hungry for more of God. For about five months the Sunday School had been practically closed. Sometimes they had Sunday School while at other times they did not. Now the Sunday School has an average of forty-five, in only six weeks' time. I think it's wonderful! There wasn't a Y. P. E. here either but in less than three weeks we organized with about thirty members, all interested and many more looking this way.

The regular services are wonderful. God has been with us in a wonderful way. Several have been saved, four sanctified, several reclaimed. This is a needy field so all who read this please pray that the needs may be supplied that this work may go on for we surely need your prayers. Pray a special prayer that God may save many souls in this field.—Yours in Him, A. R. Martin, Box 275, Hayti, Mo.

### MOVING ONWARD

JOHNSONVILLE, S. C.—I just want to report victory over sin. Praise the good Lord. This evening finds me still saved, sanctified and away from the things of this world. Thank God for His goodness to me. I can never thank my blessed Savior enough for doing so much for me and how He has supplied our needs.

I can report victory in our little Sunday School. It surely is doing fine. We started it in October and it is still growing. The people said it wouldn't last long and said our prayer meeting was Anti-christ but thank God we are still moving onward and shouting the victory. We are getting along fine with our little Sunday School. We haven't had to order any of our literature on credit. We have money enough in the treasure every time to pay for it. We surely do want some good Church of God preacher to come and preach some for us. I don't believe he would regret his trip, so come and see how the little work is going on.

Oh, I just can't praise Him enough for the way He is blessing us at Johnsonville. We surely do earnestly beg every child of God who reads this to pray for God to set His approval on this little Sunday School here that it will stand till Jesus comes, bless His sweet name. All who read this pray for me that I will stand true and do just what He would have me do.—I am a sister in Christ, Mrs. J. H. Baggett.

### VICTORY REPORTED

SAXTON, Fla.—I wish to report victory in a ten days' meeting which the writer and Brother R. F. Kirkland, the pastor, held here, about five miles from Starke. According to the report there were three saved, one sanctified and one received the Holy Ghost. We closed the meeting with the altar full. Seed have been sown which we hope will bear fruit later.—Your brother in Christ, Horace Lewis.

## TRACTS

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We are adding to our literature a teachers' quarterly. This is a long felt need. In our Adult Quarterly our space is limited. It is impossible to fully explain a lesson. Brother E. C. Clark, the Editor and Publisher, has undertaken to get up a teachers' quarterly, and in my judgment you will find this one of the best teachers' quarterlies you have ever had the privilege of reading. I highly recommend his work in every respect. Those who are needing a teachers' quarterly could not possibly secure a better one. Hoping that this quarterly will meet the needs not only of our people but all holiness lovers, I am yours truly, S. W. Latimer, General Overseer.

### THE FEDERAL COUNCIL Of The CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN AMERICA

Mr. S. W. Latimer,

February 9, 1933

The Church of God Headquarters, Cleveland, Tenn.

My dear Mr. Latimer:

In reply to your letter of February 6, I am writing to say that the Christian body known as the General Eldership of the Churches of God in North America, with national headquarters at Harrisburg, Pa., is at the present time one of the constituent denominations of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. No other group known as the Church of God is related to the Federal Council.

Very sincerely yours,

SAMUEL MCCREA CAVERT,  
General Secretary.

The above letter from Samuel McCrea Cavert, General Secretary of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, here printed as further proof that the Church of God is in no way related to the Federal Council of Churches.

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## WHY SHOULDN'T WE PRAISE HIM?

HUBBALL, W. Va.—Just now I would like to sound a note of praise to our heavenly King who is due all honor and praise. Why I praise Him is because He saved, sanctified and filled me with the precious Holy Ghost and has carried and given me victory over so many trials, temptations, faults and failures.

I praise Him for the Church at Hubball, W. Va. In Sept. 1931 my husband began having services at this place about every two weeks as we lived about fifty miles away at that time. The Lord began to lead us here for a revival and in December we came here and opened fire on the devil. We were assisted by Brother W. M. Cable. The meeting lasted about three weeks and at the close our district pastor set a church in order. There was only two professing holiness here before, today we have thirty-seven or thirty-eight members and seventeen or eighteen of them have the Holy Ghost.

My husband cared for the church last year up until now. He is only sanctified but God has blessed our work wonderfully. I ask every one who reads this to pray much for us and the church. The enemy has come in many times to try to overthrow us, but praise the name of Jesus, He has always fought our battles and won. Bless His name. Why shouldn't we praise Him? The little flock has been true and stood by us financially. Pray that God will give me a humbler heart and that we will know and do the will of God in everything.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Henry Swanson.

## ARKANSAS A NEEDY FIELD

OMAHA, Ark.—I praise the dear Lord this morning for victory over the enemy. I am glad the dear Lord saved, sanctified and filled me with His good Holy Ghost. I am glad He said in His Word He would go and prepare a place for me, glory to His precious name. He means everything in this world to me.

My husband and I felt a leading to come to Arkansas for almost a year. Finally the Lord made a way. We went down to Witt Springs first in a meeting. Oh, how the Lord did bless. Several got saved, and sanctified and a goodly number were filled with the Holy Ghost. There was one minister that had been preaching the gospel who got filled and thrilled with the Holy Ghost and now has the call to go to California, thank God! We have a nice little Church of God here at Omaha and some real saints, but are in need of a revival. If any one feels led to come I am sure the Lord would bless. Come on, Texas ministers, help us evangelize in the mountains! No wonder the Lord said, The harvest is ripe and laborers are few. It seems that they bunch up together and never think of the poor hungry souls that are dying for the love of God. Sometimes I think, Well Lord, have I done all I know? If He should come for us could I say, "Yes, Lord, I have been faithful." It makes me shudder when I think how some sit on the stool of do-nothing

and so many starving spiritually. Some will say, "Well, if I launch out that way I might not get enough to eat or I would not get the luxuries of this world." We surely have got to die to this world. I am sure some have not died as Paul, for he died daily. I did not start this way to be a slacker or to turn back. I mean by the help of God to hold on till Jesus comes for I don't believe it will be long.

We are planning if it is God's will to start a revival soon at Cedar Springs, Mo. Be sure and pray for it, saints, that souls will be saved. The Lord has called me out in His work. If any woman or girl feels led to come and evangelize with me write me. All who read this pray for this church and pray for me and my family.—Your sister under the blood, Mrs. Alice Platt, Omaha, Ark.

## THE LORD BLESSED AND GAVE US SOULS

I want to sound a note of praise to the dear Lord for His great blessings and mighty saving, sanctifying power and for the great outpouring of the Holy Ghost, our Teacher and Guide. We thank God for the six weeks' revival which has just closed here at Logan, Ill. conducted by W. D. Swartz. There were fourteen saved, nine sanctified, seven filled with the good Holy Ghost. Pray for the Logan church as lovers of Jesus and His cause.—A sister in Christ, C. M. McClary, Logan, Ill.

## TRUST GOD TO SUPPLY OUR NEEDS

TRINITY, Tex.—To the dear saints everywhere, greetings in Jesus' dear name. I praise the Lord this morning. I feel like traveling on, thank the dear Lord. About eighteen years ago the Lord gave me the wonderful Holy Ghost and healed me as I was at that time on crutches. Bless His dear name! I have been trusting Him ever since. The Lord called me to preach His Gospel and thank God I have been preaching ever since. He means for us to go as there isn't any time to stop. Come on, preachers, let us go over the top. Just trust God to supply our needs.

We are glad of our state overseer, Bro. J. C. Coats, also our district pastor, Bro. Burke. We surely do like our pastor and family. He is a real man of God and knows how to preach and how to handle the work. The sinners seem to like him. I had just closed a five weeks' meeting when he and Brother Coats came. Brother Coats took seventeen in the church and then Brother Burke took five in later. On Brother Burke's first appointment here we had dinner on the ground, feet washing and the Lord's Supper.

Pray much for the saints here and for the young saints to trust the Lord for healing of their bodies. May the Lord bless every one who reads this and pray much for us. I thank the Lord for the great Church of God at Trinity of which I am a member. We have about thirty members here. May the Lord bless every one of His saints. Pray for me.—A sister under the blood, Mrs. H. J. French, Box 335.

## GOD SPOKE AND WE OBEYED

We are glad to report victory at Belton, W. Va. and surely thank God for the way He has blessed here. He has given us victory over the devil. We came here Sept. 22 and started a revival. We had a hard fight but our God is more than conqueror over the enemy. We closed the revival on Oct. 21 with only a few prayed thru and one filled with the Holy Ghost. God spoke and said to build a church. Looking on the depression it seemed almost impossible to even think of starting a church but as we were on our face before God one day, asking Him about how we could build, He said, "All these hills are mine, all the oil wells are mine." I began to look around on these old Virginia hills and could see the wonderful work of God's great hand. We began to call on Him and told Him what we needed for a church. He gave us a pattern and we started the building according to what He showed us. Praise His dear name! The material began to come. People began to give, logs began to fall, men began to work. One precious brother gave a lot, another gave the logs, another the team to haul the logs and the work started. By Dec. 12 the church was ready for a roof and there is not one penny against it. The roofing and flooring are also paid for. I think we will be able to dedicate the church in about three weeks and it will be all paid for. If any one wants to see a beautiful church come over and see our log church.

Folks, let's put the church work over for God. Let's not run here and there and stir up a fuss, but stay till God's work can be established. When the battle is hot fight, and when it is over shout. The harder the battle the brighter the crown. We have only been able to hold four revivals this year but can thank God He has given us three churches. We have just closed the fourth revival with wonderful success. Twenty-seven were saved, eight sanctified and one filled with the Holy Ghost. We are looking for God to have a church in Fairmont, W. Va. soon. It is one thing to fight a battle and lose and another to fight and win and we know that God never lost a battle, so it is our place to find out whether we are in God's will or in self. Rom. 6:6 says, "Knowing this, that our old man is crucified." Thank God, if the old man is dead then God can work, but not till then. I see so many running here and there and nothing being done for God. What will their excuse be when they stand before God? They say God has called them to preach. If so, where are their works. We hear Paul say, "Show me thy faith without thy works, and I will show thee faith by my works." Again we hear them say, Times are too hard. Thank God these hills are His. Come on, you preachers. Let's prove ourselves, or get out of the way and quit making a mock of God. Gal. 6:6 says God is not mocked. He will let you down somewhere soon.—H. C. Kipe.

Note: Since this report was received several weeks ago we have been notified that Brother Kipe has passed to his reward.

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